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TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI IMMEDIATE

INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

USLO PEKING

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SUBJECT: SPEECH BY AMBASSADOR UNGER

1. AP TICKER ITEM, DATELINED TAIPEI, JUNE 19, REPORTS
AMBASSADOR'S SPEECH TO TAIPEI AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE U.S. AMBASSADOR LEONARD UNGER TODAY
CITED AMERICA'S INTEREST IN A SETTLEMENT OF THE SUBJECT
OF TAIWAN, BY THE NATIONALIST AND COMMUNIST CHINESE GOVERN-
MENTS AND URGED AN END TO STERILE AND IMMOBILIZED CON-
FRONTATIONS OF THE PAST.' TAIWAN IS HOME TO THE NATIONALIST
CHINESE GOVERNMENT, WHICH CLAIMS TO BE THE ONLY LEGITIMATE
GOVERNMENT OF ALL CHINA. PEKING, IN TURN, CLAIMS THE
ISLAND OFF THE CHINESE COAST IS ITS RIGHTFUL TERRITORY.
IN HIS MAIDEN SPEECH AS THE NEW U.S. AMBASSADOR TO NATIONAL-
IST CHINA, UNGER DID NOT SPECIFICALLY REFER TO THE
NATIONALIST GOVERNMENT'S REFUSAL TO NEGOTIATE ANY MATTERS
WITH COMMUNIST CHINA. BUT HE SAID REFUSAL TO DISCUSS
PROBLEMS AND POTENTIAL AREAS OF CONFLICT CAN ONLY EXACER-
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BATE TENSION AND INCREASE THE CHANCES OF WAR.' HE CITED

A NEED TO MOVE TOWARD NEW FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION AND AWAY FROM THE STERILE AND IMMOBILIZED CONFRONTATIONS OF THE PAST.' UNGER'S REMARKS WERE MADE IN A SPEECH TO THE TAIPEI AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND FOLLOWED CLOSELY THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE START OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE LAST AMERICAN COMBAT UNITS FROM TAIWAN. THE WITHDRAWAL OF TWO SQUADRONS OF FIGHTER

PLANES HAD BEEN ANTICIPATED FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND PLANNED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. UNQUOTE

2. PLEASE FORWARD TEXT OF SPEECH BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM. KISSINGER

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